

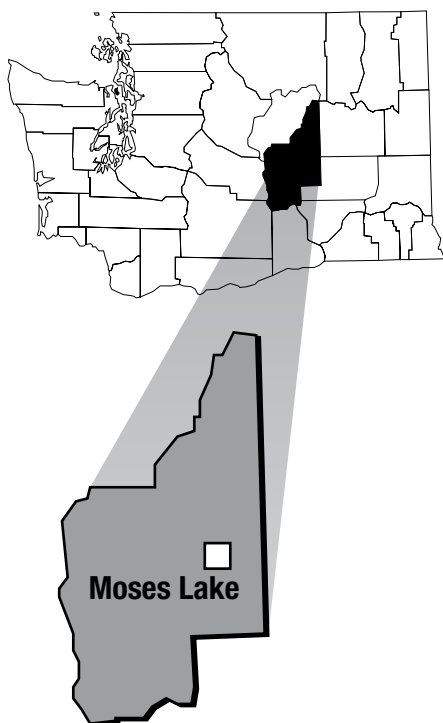
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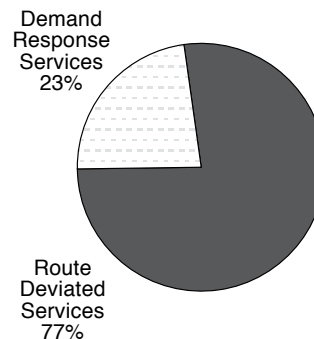


## System Snapshot

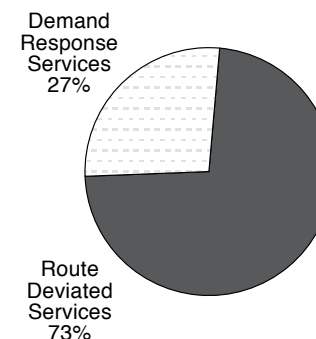
- Operating Name: Grant Transit Authority (GTA)
- Service Area: Countywide, Grant County
- Congressional District: 4
- Legislative Districts: 12 and 13
- Type of Government: Public Transportation Benefit Area
- Governing Body: Nine-member board of directors comprised of one county commissioner; two mayors representing the communities of Warden and Wilson Creek, six City Council Members from Soap Lake, Ephrata, Coulee City, Electric City, Moses Lake, and Quincy.
- Tax Authorized: 0.2 percent sales and use tax approved in November 1996.
- Types of Service: 19 deviated routes, Paratransit service for persons with disabilities who cannot use deviated route service, and special needs transportation for those who qualify under the state grant criteria.
- Days of Service: Weekdays, generally between 6:20 a.m. and 9:35 p.m.
- Base Fare: \$.50 per boarding, deviated routes; \$.25 per ride, Paratransit.



**Total Vehicle Hours in 2005**



**Total Vehicle Hours in 2011**



## Current Operations

GTA operates deviated routes, Monday through Friday, as follows:

- Nine rural intercity routes.
- Soap Lake to Wilson Creek.
- Ephrata to George, Desert Aire, Quincy, and Mattawa.
- Moses Lake to Ephrata/Soap Lake, Warden, Royal City, and George.
- Four rural local routes (Moses Lake).
- Two rural commuter routes (Moses Lake).
- One express route (Moses Lake to Warden).

GTA operates one deviated route between Soap Lake and Coulee Dam Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

GTA provides Paratransit services to persons with disabilities and provides demand response services to those identified as special needs qualified.

## Revenue Service Vehicles

Route Deviated – 19 total, all wheelchair accessible, model years ranging from 1994 to 2004.

Paratransit – Five total, three provided by contractor, all wheelchair accessible, model years ranging from 1985 to 1993.

## Facilities

GTA rents administrative offices on Basin Street in Ephrata. GTA has no other facilities. The contractor has a maintenance and operations facility on Broadway Avenue in Moses Lake.

## Intermodal Connections

GTA serves the Ephrata Intermodal Center, with connections to Greyhound Lines, Amtrak, Grant County International Airport, Greyhound Lines' and Trailways' stops in Moses Lake, and Trailways' stops in George.

GTA provides service to most of the public elementary, middle, and high schools and state parks in its service area, as well as Big Bend Community College.

## 2005 Achievements

- Expanded service in Moses Lake.
- Implemented express routes to the Warden production facilities.
- Completed the planning for an operations facility and identified the requirements.
- Ordered five vans and completed the preliminary steps to implementing a vanpool program.
- Issued a request for proposals for cameras for GTA buses.



## 2006 Objectives

- Investigate the possibilities of connecting GTA with Link Transit so Wenatchee workers can commute to Quincy.
- Purchase two used MCI buses to carry the large number of PUD employees to work at Wanapum Dam.
- Purchase two new Gillig buses to replace our aging fleet.
- Purchase and install security cameras on all GTA buses.
- Participate on the Community Transportation Planning Team.

## Long-range Plans (2007 through 2011)

- Build an operation and maintenance center.
- Identify successes of the 2006 vanpool program and implement new programs.
- Continue to replace the aging Bluebird fleet with longer-use buses.
- Grow the Paratransit fleet to at least five buses.



## Grant Transit Authority

	2003	2004	2005	% Change	2006	2007	2008	2011
<b>Annual Operating Information</b>								
Service Area Population	77,100	78,300	<b>79,100</b>	1.02%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
<b>Route Deviated Services</b>								
Revenue Vehicle Hours	23,128	22,492	<b>28,943</b>	28.68%	29,000	29,000	30,000	30,000
Total Vehicle Hours	24,278	23,167	<b>29,838</b>	28.80%	31,000	31,000	32,000	32,000
Revenue Vehicle Miles	553,675	550,532	<b>691,687</b>	25.64%	728,000	752,000	771,000	771,000
Total Vehicle Miles	601,506	567,048	<b>712,873</b>	25.72%	750,000	775,000	795,000	795,000
Passenger Trips	104,186	100,636	<b>117,926</b>	17.18%	130,000	145,000	155,000	165,000
Diesel Fuel Consumed (gallons)	67,309	63,005	<b>73,527</b>	16.70%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Fatalities	0	0	<b>0</b>	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries	0	0	<b>0</b>	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Collisions	0	0	<b>0</b>	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs	24.0	24.0	<b>24.0</b>	0.00%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Operating Expenses	\$1,639,552	\$1,402,248	<b>\$1,964,508</b>	40.10%	\$2,210,000	\$2,282,000	\$2,345,000	\$2,562,000
Farebox Revenues	\$40,983	\$41,452	<b>\$45,079</b>	8.75%	\$46,000	\$48,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
<b>Demand Response Services</b>								
Revenue Vehicle Hours	5,655	10,777	<b>8,468</b>	-21.43%	10,000	10,000	11,000	11,000
Total Vehicle Hours	5,806	11,100	<b>8,730</b>	-21.35%	11,000	11,000	11,000	12,000
Revenue Vehicle Miles	92,601	192,091	<b>154,086</b>	-19.78%	158,000	158,000	158,000	158,000
Total Vehicle Miles	93,234	197,723	<b>158,853</b>	-19.66%	163,000	163,000	163,000	163,000
Passenger Trips	9,653	17,207	<b>15,915</b>	-7.51%	18,000	18,000	19,000	23,000
Gasoline Fuel Consumed (gallons)	4,130	16,003	<b>17,797</b>	11.21%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Fatalities	0	0	<b>0</b>	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries	0	0	<b>0</b>	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Collisions	5	0	<b>0</b>	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs	5.5	5.5	<b>5.5</b>	0.00%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Operating Expenses	\$200,543	\$663,786	<b>\$387,252</b>	-41.66%	\$479,000	\$493,000	\$509,000	\$556,000
Farebox Revenues	\$10,245	\$4,100	<b>\$4,217</b>	2.85%	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000

	2003	2004	2005	% Change	2006	2007	2008	2011
<b>Annual Revenues</b>								
Sales Tax	\$1,600,655	\$1,694,480	<b>\$1,866,057</b>	10.13%	<i>\$1,900,000</i>	<i>\$1,957,000</i>	<i>\$2,016,000</i>	<i>\$2,203,000</i>
Farebox Revenues	\$51,228	\$45,552	<b>\$49,296</b>	8.22%	<i>\$50,000</i>	<i>\$52,000</i>	<i>\$54,000</i>	<i>\$54,000</i>
Federal Section 5311 Operating	\$0	\$0	<b>\$9,474</b>	N.A.	<i>\$132,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
State Rural Mobility Grants	\$0	\$107,693	<b>\$111,267</b>	3.32%	<i>\$95,000</i>	<i>\$150,000</i>	<i>\$150,000</i>	<i>\$150,000</i>
State Special Needs Grants	\$0	\$200,002	<b>\$181,197</b>	-9.40%	<i>\$74,000</i>	<i>\$175,000</i>	<i>\$165,000</i>	<i>\$150,000</i>
Other State Operating Grants	\$82,701	\$0	<b>\$0</b>	N.A.	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Other	\$322,251	\$0	<b>\$202,481</b>	N.A.	<i>\$187,000</i>	<i>\$208,000</i>	<i>\$214,000</i>	<i>\$227,000</i>
Total	\$2,056,835	\$2,047,727	<b>\$2,419,772</b>	18.17%	<i>\$2,438,000</i>	<i>\$2,542,000</i>	<i>\$2,599,000</i>	<i>\$2,784,000</i>
<b>Annual Operating Expenses</b>								
Annual Operating Expenses	\$1,840,095	\$2,066,034	<b>\$2,351,760</b>	13.83%	<i>\$2,689,000</i>	<i>\$2,775,000</i>	<i>\$2,854,000</i>	<i>\$3,118,000</i>
Total	\$1,840,095	\$2,066,034	<b>\$2,351,760</b>	13.83%	<i>\$2,689,000</i>	<i>\$2,775,000</i>	<i>\$2,854,000</i>	<i>\$3,118,000</i>
<b>Annual Capital Purchase Obligations</b>								
Federal Section 5309 Capital Grants	\$526,000	\$424,900	<b>\$0</b>		<i>\$1,141,000</i>	<i>\$963,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$483,000</i>
State Vanpool Grants	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>		<i>\$78,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>		<i>\$363,000</i>	<i>\$241,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$112,000</i>
Capital Reserve Funds	\$721,020	\$0	<b>\$0</b>		<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Total	\$1,247,020	\$424,900	<b>\$0</b>	N.A.	<i>\$1,582,000</i>	<i>\$1,204,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$595,000</i>
<b>Ending Balances, December 31</b>								
General Fund	\$3,706,907	\$3,800,451	<b>\$3,859,686</b>	1.56%	<i>\$3,245,000</i>	<i>\$2,776,000</i>	<i>\$2,542,000</i>	<i>\$1,011,000</i>
Working Capital	\$800,000	\$800,000	<b>\$800,000</b>	0.00%	<i>\$800,000</i>	<i>\$800,000</i>	<i>\$800,000</i>	<i>\$800,000</i>
Total	\$4,506,907	\$4,600,451	<b>\$4,659,686</b>	1.29%	<i>\$4,045,000</i>	<i>\$3,576,000</i>	<i>\$3,342,000</i>	<i>\$1,811,000</i>

***Performance Measures for 2005 Operations***

	<b>Route Deviated Services</b>		<b>Demand Response Services</b>	
	<b>Grant Transit Authority</b>	<b>Rural Averages</b>	<b>Grant Transit Authority</b>	<b>Rural Averages</b>
Fares/Operating Cost	2.29%	4.45%	1.09%	2.83%
Operating Cost/Passenger Trip	\$16.66	\$10.76	\$24.33	\$24.08
Operating Cost/Revenue Vehicle Mile	\$2.84	\$3.70	\$2.51	\$5.15
Operating Cost/Revenue Vehicle Hour	\$67.88	\$68.67	\$45.73	\$63.86
Operating Cost/Total Vehicle Hour	\$65.84	\$60.37	\$44.36	\$58.14
Revenue Vehicle Hours/Total Vehicle Hour	97.0%	87.72%	97.0%	91.91%
Revenue Vehicle Hours/FTE	1,206	1,099	1,540	1,221
Revenue Vehicle Miles/Revenue Vehicle Hour	23.90	20.26	18.20	13.70
Passenger Trips/Revenue Vehicle Hour	4.1	7.3	1.9	2.8
Passenger Trips/Revenue Vehicle Mile	0.17	0.42	0.10	0.22